Update Troopers Investigating Crash East of Harrington

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Harrington — Troopers are investigating a three vehicle crash east of Harrington that sent two people to an area hospital.

The incident occurred around 9:21 a.m. Tuesday April 4, 2017 as Juan R. Colon, 70 of Lincoln, was operating a 2007 Ford Explorer northbound on Deep Grass Lane and came to a stop at the intersection with Milford-Harrington Highway (SR14). After the stop, the Explorer continued northbound into the intersection and was struck on the left side by a 2011 Dodge Caliber that was traveling eastbound on SR14. Upon impact, the two vehicles entered into the westbound lane causing a westbound 2005 International truck hauling a Southern States tanker loaded with liquid nitrogen, to brake abruptly, which then caused the contents of the tanker to shift and force the truck off the north side of the roadway. The truck and tanker then overturned onto its side and came to a stop just west of the intersection.

Juan Colon was properly restrained and was uninjured in the collision. He was cited for Failure to Remain Stopped.

The 38-year-old male operator of the Caliber was properly restrained and transported by EMS to Bayhealth Milford Memorial Hospital (MMH) where he was treated and released with non-life-threatening injuries.

The 33-year-old male operator of the tractor trailer was properly restrained and transported to MMH by EMS where he was treated for non-life-threatening injuries.

SR14 was closed for approximately three hours while hazmat crews from Delaware Natural Resources (DNR), Southern States, and DelDOT contained and cleaned up the spill from the tanker.

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